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Livonia declared Michigan's Coney capital

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LANSING – Livonia has been declared the Coney dog capital of Michigan, announced Sen. Laura Toy, R-Livonia.

"Now the rest of the state knows what Livonia residents have known for many years," Toy said. "I am pleased and proud to see this honor come to Livonia."

Senate Coney Island of Livonia defeated challengers from Jackson and Flint Wednesday to win the title. Four of the five judges picked Senate Coney Island for its unique, zesty sauce and quality frank.

Other participating restaurants included the Jaxson Pizza Factory, Jackson Coney Island, Ted's Firehouse Pub of Jackson and Tom Z's of Flint.

Judges included Capitol Archivist Kerry Chartkoff, Senate Sergeant of Arms Charles Thornhill, Michigan Public Radio's Rick Pluta, Matt Groen from the Michigan Restaurant Association and Kyle Melinn of MIRS.

Jerry Krupinski of Senate Coney Island was on hand to accept the award.

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